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TO AMEMBASSY NEW DELHI

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SUBJECT: PAN AMERICAN PROBLEMS IN INDIA

1. DURING GENERAL REVIEW WITH DEPTOFF OF CURRENT PAN AMERICAN SITUATION IN INDIA, ED PERKINS EXPRESSED HIS APPRECIATION AND THAT OF HIS COMPANY FOR EMBASSY'S GOOD WORK ON TAX AND CURRENCY DISCRIMINATION PROBLEMS. PERKINS SAID PAN AM REPRESENTATIVE PEDERSON HAD BEEN ABLE TO DEVELOP EXCELLENT RELATIONS WITH THE EMBASSY AND THAT AIRLINE'S SITUATION IN INDIA HAD IMPROVED SIGNIFICANTLY IN THE PAST FEW MONTHS. IN PERKINS' VIEW, EMBASSY HAD MADE SIGNIFICANT CONTRIBUTION TO THIS IMPROVEMENT.

2. ACCORDING PERKINS, PAN AM HAS SHELVED (AT LEAST FOR TIME BEING) CONSIDERATION OF FORMAL PROTEST TO CAB OF GOI'S SPECIAL TOURIST FARE. HE SAID GOI RECENTLY RAISED MANDATORY MINIMUM FARE TO LEVEL WHICH MADE "REASONABLE ECONOMIC SENSE". PAN AM THEREFORE THOUGHT BASIS FOR

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PROTEST HAD BEEN REMOVED. WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY

CONFIRMATION OF GOI DECISION RAISE FARE.

3. PERKINS DESCRIBED ISSUE OF FUNDS REMITTANCE AS  
PROBLEM WHICH SHOULD BE GIVEN PRIORITY ATTENTION AT THIS

TIME, AND ASKED THAT USG CONCENTRATE ITS EFFORTS IN THIS  
AREA. HE SAID MONTHS MAY ELAPSE BEFORE PAN AM RECEIVES  
DOLLARS FOR TRAVEL FINANCED WITH RUPEES. HE EXPLAINED  
PART OF DELAY RESULTS FROM NECESSITY FOR EMBASSY AND  
AIRLINE TO PROCESS VOUCHERS AND WAS PROBABLY UNAVOIDABLE.  
ON OTHER HAND, GOI REQUIRED 3-4 MONTHS TO APPROVE CONVER-  
SIONS AND IN PAN AM VIEW THIS UNREASONABLE BECAUSE OF  
COSTS INVOLVED. PAN AM WOULD PREFER GOI TO MAKE  
REMITTANCES ON POST AUDIT BASIS. IN PAST, GOI HAS BEEN  
UNWILLING TO DO THIS. WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY ASSES-  
MENT OF LIKELIHOOD GOI WOULD ACCEPT THIS FORMULA NOW.  
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